

Border Mission Frequently-asked Questions

(1) Approximately when will the mission begin?

If selected, service members will be screened/processed in batches from late July through the end of August.

(2) What is the location for the mission?

Nearly all of the positions will be in the San Diego Border Patrol Sector which consists of the entire county of San Diego, covering more than 7,000 square miles and 66 linear miles of international boundary with Mexico.

(3) I applied at the website. What happens next?

Based on a screening of official records at the state headquarters, applicants with the desired skills will be contacted with specific instructions for submission of the formal application package.

(4) Approximately when will service members be notified if they have been selected?

Guidance will be coming out in the next couple of weeks concerning the full application process. Applicants will build a packet and bring it with them if placed on orders and notified to report to Camp Roberts

(5) There were several options as to which positions service members could apply for, but the application only allowed one to be selected. Will applicants be considered for other positions if they are not selected for the position they chose on the application or will they need to submit separate applications for each position?

There is no need to submit separate applications (it actually slows us down), as we will screen all applicants for required low density skills. Any additional information should be included in the comments block.

(6) Will service members receive per diem for this mission like the last border security mission?

That hasn't been determined yet.

(7) What will the lodging arrangements be?

Lodging will be in barracks during the in-processing at Camp Roberts. For the initial duty period at the border, it is anticipated that hotels will be used for the first few days.

(8) Should service members go ahead and get a livescan background check.

No. We will have a contractor conducting the livescan as part of the in-processing.

(9) Should service members go ahead and get a DMV printout now or wait and see if they are selected first?

Wait until you receive notification and instructions to submit your packet.

(10) What should I do with my signed Commander's approval memo?

Include the signed memo in your completed packet.

(11) Can other components or Army Reserve members apply for the mission? How about California State Military Reserve?

No, only California Air and Army National Guard members can apply.